

# State of Tennessee

### **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 272**

## By Representative Harrison

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#### Senator Faulk

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jason Thomas Joyner on his selection as Hawkins County Teacher of the Year for the fifth-grade through eighth-grade division.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Jason Thomas Joyner is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Joyner has recently been selected Teacher of the Year for the fifthgrade through eighth-grade division by Hawkins County Schools, an honor most befitting his outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence he has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Jason Joyner holds a bachelor's degree in microbiology from the University of Tennessee, a master's degree from Milligan College, and an educational specialist degree from Lincoln Memorial University; he also completed Hawkins County Leadership Training in 2010 and Mentor Teacher Training in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Joyner is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Jason Joyner has skillfully taught eighth-grade science at Church Hill Middle School (CHMS) since 2006, having previously rendered sterling service as a Biology I and Biology II teacher at Volunteer High School and as an Environmental Science and Biology I substitute teacher at Cherokee High School; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his teaching responsibilities, Mr. Joyner has served with acumen and alacrity as the CHMS cross country boys and girls coach, the seventh-grade basketball coach, and the head baseball coach; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated professional in the field of education, Jason Joyner is a mentor teacher, eighth-grade blue team leader, and member of the Tennessee Education Association, Hawkins County Education Association, School Improvement Committee, Title I Committee, and School Wide Positive Behavior Support Team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Joyner is also an estimable civic leader who donates his time and tremendous talents to many noteworthy causes, including participating in the 2010 and 2009 Ani-Mile fundraiser for the Humane Society and raising more than \$7,000 for CHMS athletics; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Jason Joyner is the 2006, 2008, and 2010 winner of the Eastman Putting Children First Grants and was nominated for both the 2009 Tennessee Science Teacher of the Year and the 2011 Tennessee Level Five Science Teacher; and

WHEREAS, Jason Joyner truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Joyner truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Jason Thomas Joyner on being chosen as Teacher of the Year for the fifth-grade through eighth-grade division of Hawkins County Schools, commend his exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: APRIL 28, 2011
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
RON RAMISEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
APPROVED this day of 2011
BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR